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FOUR TRIPS FOR THE SPLITTERS.

Overflow From Boston Market Coming to This Port.

For the first time this season vessels are down here from Boston with fresh fish to split. There is not as much as was expected, considering the big fleet at T wharf Monday and the state of the market, but the trio here this morning are but a fore-runner of what is to come later.

Schs. Mildren Robinson, Slade Gorton and Lillian are the crafts here and they have between 30,000 and 40,000 pounds each, all codfish.

Sch. Grayling is here from Portland, where she landed her halibut, with a nice fare of salt cod.

This morning all the market boats have gone out as it is fishing day surely on the shore grounds.

This noon sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Christopher Gibbs, came in with her third halibut trip of the year, a fine catch of 30,000 pounds.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Lillian, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Slade Gorton, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mildren Robinson, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Grayling, via Portland, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Quero bank, 30,000 lbs. halibut.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.

Sch. Thalia, shore.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Sch. Mary Edith, shore.

Sch. Actor, shore.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.

Sch. Yankee, shore.

Sch. Galatea, shore.

Sch. Mettacommet, shore.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, shore.

Sch. Nokomis, shore.

Sch. Topsail Girl, shore.

Sch. Esther Gray, shore.

Sch. Eglantine, pollock seining.

Sch. Mabel E. Bryson, shore.

Sch. Mary E. Whalen, Boston.

Sch. Hortense, haddocking.

Sch. Fannie E. Preston, haddocking.

Sch. Ella G. King, Georges.

Sch. Margaret, halibuting.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, pollock seining.

Steamer Nomad, pollock seining.

Steamer Quoddy, pollock seining.

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 10c per lb. for white, and 8c for gray.

Georges halibut, 10c per lb., for white and 8c for gray.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round 65 cts., dressed 70 cts.

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Launch at Essex Tomorrow.

The new schooner built by Arthur D. Story of Essex for the Cunningham & Thompson Company will be launched tomorrow. She will be fitted for the southern mackerel fishery and will be commanded by Capt. John McKinnon. The euphonious name, "Rhodora," will appear on bow and stern.

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NEWFOUNDLAND NEWS.

supreme court.

The Newfoundland sealing season opens on March 10. The Harlaw of Halifax, will be the only Canadian vessel in the fleet.

There will be four steamers in the Gulf this year, the Viking, Southern Cross, Kite and Labrador. The Neptune will this year go to the front.

Whales were very plentiful in Trinity Bay last week, but of course none were killed, as all the steamers are now laying up. Most of them will, however, be put in readiness and commence operations next month.

The first ice for the season was in sight February 26, and extends as far north as can be seen from Cape St. Francis, being jammed in on Bacallieu. Some of the floe is fairly heavy. It is unusual for the ice to appear off here so early in the season and it is doubtless due to the prevalence of strong northerly winds.

Nineteen vessels and 3179 men will leave for the ice on the 12th. Light ice is reported everywhere, but no seals are in sight.

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NEWS FROM NOVA SCOTIA.

John A. Webber, fisheries inspector of Chester was at Mahone Bay Monday week, delivering bounty cheques to the owners of fishing vessels and posting notices for the payment of bounty to fishermen on Saturday the 5th. Payment is being made earlier than usual this year and the amount will be larger per man than it has been for at least 10 years, namely \$7.50 per man as against \$7.25 last year and \$5.25 per man to shore fishermen as against \$4.90 last year.

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WHALING INDUSTRY REVIVED.

Nine Vessels Being Fitted Out at New Bedford—Oil Scarce and High.

Not for many years has so much attention been given to the whale fishery as at present, and today, the first of a fleet of nine whaling vessels, now outfitting at New Bedford, will sail in quest of the great mammals.

The reason for the present activity in the whale fishery is the fact that the market for sperm oil is depleted, while the price stands at 65 cents a gallon. In addition, whalebone is one of the most valuable products obtainable, and there is always a chance of finding a lump of ambergris which is worth far more than its weight in gold. At present prices for bone and oil, a small catch will bring in to vessel owners large dividends on the money spent in outfitting and operating the vessels.

Six of the vessels now preparing for sea will make only short voyages, returning to port in the fall.

The six schooners and the brig Viola will hunt in what is known as the Hatteras grounds, in the North Atlantic. It is also probable that before summer the bark Morning Star will also sail on a long whaling voyage.

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Fishing Out of Pensacola.

Capt. Plus P. McPhee of this city, has been fishing out of Pensacola, Florida, all winter. He is in good health and has been doing well and figures on coming home some time this spring, to go south seining.

Sch. Titania Spoken.

Capt. J. Henry Larkin of sch. Onato, at Boston yesterday, reports speaking sch. Titania, Capt. Patrick Vale, on Georges with 20,000 pounds of salt cod on board.

Discharged Frozen Herring.

Sch. Saladin completed the discharge of her cargo of frozen herring at Boston yesterday and was towed to this port.

Schooners Taking Salt.

Schs. Gossip and S. P. Willard are taking salt from steamer Juno. Sch. Blanche is taking salt from steamer Trym.

Will Fit For Pollock Seining.

Sch. Mary E. Sinnett of Portland is at this port to fit for pollock seining.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Teazer was at Shelburne, N. S., Monday and cleared.

MANY VESSELS BUT SMALL FARES

Shore Boats at Boston Report Finding Fish Scarce.

Although there are 32 arrivals at Boston today, the fish receipts are not very heavy, for in the whole lot is only one off-shore craft and the shore boat fares range smaller than usual. Quite a number of the little netters are in with small cod catches and in the whole fleet in are but a dozen fares over 10,000 pounds. The shore boats are certainly finding fish scarce on the usual fishing grounds.

Sch. Regina, the only off-shore, had 65,000 pounds and received \$2 for her haddock, the cod going to East Boston to split as did that of several others of the off-shores which were in Monday and Tuesday.

Of the market boats, sch. Rose Dorothea with 25,000 pounds, was the leader, sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan had 22,000 and sch. Sadie M. Nunan 19,000 pounds. Schs. Gladys and Nellie, Mary E. Cooney, Flavilla, Edith Silveira, Victor and Ethan and Flora J. Sears also have good catches.

Shore haddock brought from \$3 to \$3.50 with \$3 for large cod and \$2 for market cod. Hake and cusk were low and pollock held at \$1.75.

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Mary Edith, 8000 haddock.

Sch. Olivia Sears,

Sch. Marion,

Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 2500 haddock, 200 cod.

Sch. Mettacommet, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Louis C. Totman, 5000 cod.

Sch. Little Fanny, 2500 cod.

Sch. Wodan, 4500 cod.

Sch. Topsail Girl, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Diana, 1700 cod.

Sch. N. A. Rowe, 2600 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 13,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. W. H. Clement, 8000 cod.

Sch. Sarah, 2500 cod.

Sch. F. D. Brown, 1000 cod.

Sch. Valentina, 2000 haddock.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 11,000 haddock, 500 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Yankee, 1100 haddock, 800 cod, 1200 pollock.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 20,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 7000 haddock, 1200 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveira, 10,000 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Galatea, 4000 haddock, 500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 4000 haddock, 500 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 7000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 17,000 haddock, 1200 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Washakie, 800 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 hake, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 20,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Lillian, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Regina, 17,000 haddock, 48,000 cod.

Sch. Thalia, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Off-shore haddock, \$2 per cwt.; shore haddock, \$3 to \$3.50; shore large cod, \$3; shore market cod, \$2; hake, \$1 to \$2; cusk, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.75.

Portland Fish Notes.

Activities on Commercial and Central wharves Tuesday were only slightly diminished from what they were the day before. All of the immense amount of fish which had arrived Monday had not been taken out and basketful after basketful was being hoisted to the fish houses. There has not been such a quantity of fish here in years as was the case yesterday, but thousands of pounds were being boxed up and shipped away to other cities.

Fishing steamer Carrie and Mildred has completed repairs and made her first trip to the fishing grounds yesterday laying a long string of the Atwood seines.

Sch. Angie B. Watson was placed on the mud at the head of Commercial wharf Tuesday taking on a new wheel to replace one broken a few days ago.

In marked contrast to the heavy arrivals of fish on Monday, Tuesday outside of the small boats only one fishing vessel put in an appearance, the sch. Emerald, with pollock.